

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES



THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
WASHINGTON OFFICE

August 4, 2003

The Honorable John Kline
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Kline:

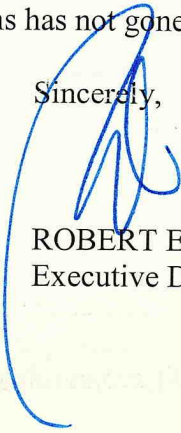
On behalf of the 2.6 million members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and our Ladies Auxiliary, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your recent "No" vote on the VA-HUD Appropriations bill.

While unsuccessful in securing the needed, and congressionally budgeted, additional \$1.8 billion for veterans' health care, we truly appreciate the courage you displayed in your effort to stop the House from passing an inadequate appropriation.

We will look to you once again to champion our cause if the same numbers are reported in the conference agreement.

Your support and dedication to America's veterans has not gone unrecognized.

Sincerely,



ROBERT E. WALLACE
Executive Director

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